

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

**Please amend the paragraph beginning on Page 4 line 21 with the following paragraph:**

The present invention may be embodied and described as a shoulder rest for use on a telephone handset. The shoulder rest of the present invention includes: a first portion for abutting against a user's shoulder; base portions for abutting against the telephone handset; and a cut-out portion between the base portions allowing the shoulder rest to conform to differently shaped telephone handsets. Preferably, the first portion is curved to accommodate the user's shoulder.

**Please amend the paragraph beginning on Page 5 line 20 with the following paragraph:**

The method of the present invention may also include placing an adhesive on the strap and the base portions for adhering ~~adhering~~ the shoulder rest to the telephone handset and adhering the shoulder rest to a telephone handset.

**Please amend the three paragraphs beginning on Page 7 line 9 with the following three paragraphs:**

At one end, the contoured portion (101) ends in a prominence (110). Fig. 1B shows a ~~a~~ ~~an~~ front end view of the rest (100) at the then end with the prominence ~~prominence~~ (110).

The main body of the shoulder rest (100) extends ~~entends~~ from the contoured portion (101) to two separated base portions (102, 103) on the opposite side of the rest (100). The ~~Thes~~

base portions (102, 103) are in contact with and adhere ~~adhered~~ to the back of the phone handset when the rest (100) is installed.

Between the two base portions (102, 103), the main body of the rest (100) retreats inward to form a concaved or cut-out portion (106). Because of the concave portion (106) between the two base portions (102, 103), the rest (100) of the present invention can be fit to a back surface of a phone handset that is flat or curved. Moreover, if the back of the phone handset where the rest (100) is adhered is curved, the radius or contour of the curvature does not affect the ability ability of the shoulder rest (100) of the present invention to conform thereto.

**Please amend the paragraph beginning on Page 8 line 8 with the following paragraph:**

Fig. 1C also shows additional preferred contouring of the rest (100) of the present invention. For example, moving along the length of the rest (100) from the forward prominence (110), the rest (100) preferably narrows with symmetrical ~~symmetrical~~ side contoured portions (109a, 109b). The rest (100) then preferably widens to portions (111a, 111b). This contouring optimally adapts the rest (100) to fit comfortably ~~comfortably~~ between the shoulder and ear of a user when the handset is so held.

**Please amend the two paragraphs beginning on Page 8 line 19 with the following two paragraphs:**

Fig. 1A illustrates a cross-sectional view of the rest (100) taken along line A-A of Fig. 1. As shown in Fig. 1A, the main body portion of the rest (100) may be hollow enclosing ~~enleesing~~ a cavity (107). This reduces the weight of the rest (100) and the materials required to make the

rest (100). The flexible strap portion (105) and the concave or cut-out portion (106) of the rest are also illustrated in Fig. 1A.

Figs. 2-2C illustrate a second embodiment of the present invention. This second preferred embodiment is in most respects identical to the first embodiment described above. However, the second embodiment is a shoulder rest (200) which is smaller and proportioned differently than the larger first embodiment. The second embodiment (200) is used to illustrate ~~illustrate~~ that the shoulder rest of the present invention can be sized, proportioned and scaled as necessary to fit different classes of telephone handsets.